ALABAMA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

# MINUTES

of the

# Eleventh Annual Session

of the

# Haw Ridge Baptist Association

Held With

PLEASANT GROVE CHURCH, IN DALE COUNTY, ALABAMA,

OCTOBER 12TH AND 13TH, 1899

. . . Officers . . .

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| PHILIP KING, | Moderator. |
| W. E. HAYES, | Clerk. |
| J. W. ROE, | Treasurer. |

The next session will be held with the Baptist Church at Enterprise, Coffee County, Alabama, on Thursday and Friday before the Third Sunday in October, 1900.

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PRESS OF SOUTHERN STAR,
Ozark, Alabama.

# STANDING COMMITTEES

EDUCATION.

P. L. Moseley, J. W. Roe, and J. B. Byrd, Jr.

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TEMPERANCE.

Philip King, G. B. Langford and Willie Hatcher.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.

W. M. Cooper, B. G. Byrd and T. M. Martin.

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DECEASED MINISTERS AND DEACONS.

Daniel Martin, W. J. Snellgrove and W. C. Jones.

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ORPHANS HOME.

P. M. Dowling, L. B. Heath and D. Y. Yon.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Philip King, Lewis Moseley, Henry Hudson, I. H. McLane and J. W. Roe.

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DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

P. L. Moseley and Philip King.

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DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN CONVENTION.

Lewis Moseley and W. L. Echols.

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TO PREACH THE INTRODUCTORY SERMON.

P. L. Moseley.

# MINUTES

The Eleventh Annual Session of the Haw Ridge Baptist Association convened with Pleasant Grove church in Dale county Alabama October 12, 1899.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Brother P L Moseley: Job 13:15.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Clerk, W E Hayes. Singing conducted by Brother W M Cooper, and C L Matthews led in a fervent prayer.

On motion by Rev P L Moseley that Brother Philip King be temporary Moderator, carried.

Collected the letters from the churches. The Moderator appointed Revs P L Moseley and W W Faulkner to read the letters and enrolled messengers as follows:

Rockey Head—F P Bleadsoe, T M Mathews, J R Godwin, J S Shepard, J L Eister and J W Roe.

Antioch—A Pellum, E K Smith, Charley Casey.

Cool Springs—M E Brunson and Willie Hatcher.

Mt Liberty—Henry Hudson, T M Martin, J H Hudson, F M Johnson and Daniel Martin.

Christian Home—J W Wilson.

Enterprise—P L Mosely, E E Byrd, W Y Faulkner and C A Hatcher.

Pleasant Grove—Lewis Moseley, G W Godwin, W J Tomlin, J D Peters, C G Dillard, Daniel Byrd, L C Cassady, J C Clements and B F Fountain.

Enon—E D Edgar.

Ebenezer—Philip King, W E Hayes, W C Jones, W M Cooper, W C Cotter, W J Snellgrove and J C Head.

Line Creek—C D Cotton.

On motion by Brother A Pellum that rules were suspended and Brother Philip King was elected Moderator and W E Hayes, Clerk, and J W Roe, Treasurer.

Called for petitionary letters; one from Salem church, delegates: J W Phillips, R P Phillips. The Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the Association. Called for correspondents from Newton Association—Revs W W Faulkner, C L Mathews, R Deal, H L Martin, J W Bullard, and Brothren D McFadden, Robert

Dean, O C Doster, Agent for Newton Collegiate Institute.

Appoint committee on Divine services, J W Roe, Henry Hudson, and the delegates from Pleasant Grove church.

Appoint Committee on Nomination—E E Byrd, Daniel Martin and J W Wilson.

Appoint committee on Document—A Pellum, F M Johnson and J W Phillips.

Appoint committee on Finance—W M Cooper, C M Hatcher and J R Godwin.

Fix the hours of meeting and adjourning. Adjourn at will, meet in the morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Appoint correspondents to Newton Association—W M Cooper, Daniel Martin, F M Johnson, P L Moseley, Philip King and C A Hatcher.

Call for committee on report on divine services to-morrow at 11 o'clock by H L Martin.

Standing committee supplied. On Temperance P L Moseley.

On deceased ministers and deacons—Henry Hudson and W W Faulkner.

On Sunday School—B L Byrd, J L Eister and F P Bledsoe.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 8:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

Pleasant Grove, Oct. 13, 1899.

8:30 a m. The Association was called together by the Moderator by singing, and prayer by Brother Lewis Mosely.

Called for reading of yesterdays proceedings read and adopted.

Called for petionary letters—none.

Called for report on Missions read and adopted. (See No 1)

Called for report on temperance read and discussed by Philip King, C L Mathews, A J Preston, R Deal, A Pellum and H L Martin, adopted. (See No 2)

Called for report on education—Was read and discussed by O C Doster and A J Preston in behalf of Judson Institute, Howard College and specially in behalf of our Baptist Collegiate Institute located at Newton, Alabama. Adjourned to hear Brother H L Martin preach. After preaching dismissed for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 p m. Called to order by the Moderator. The subject of education was continued by A J Preston. Report

adopted. (See No 3)

Called for report on Sunday School read and adopted. (See No 4)

Called for report on Documents read and adopted. (See No 5)

Called for report on Deceased Ministers and Deacons read and adopted. (See No 6)

Called for report on Orphan's Home read and adopted. (See No 7)

Called for Treasurer's report read and adopted. (See No 8)

Called for report on Nominations read and adopted. (See No 9)

Called for report on Finance read and adopted. (See No 10)

Called for report of Executive Committee read and adopted. (See No 11)

Resolution by Rev P L Moseley read and adopted. (See No 12)

Resolution of Thanks was read and adopted. (See No 13)

Brother H L Martin made a strong appeal to the Association in behalf of Rev J W Bullard, the body responded to this noble call with $6.00. Finding that the minute money insufficient a collection for this purpose was taken up amounting to $2.70.

On motion allowed Clerk $9.00 for his services and $9.00 for the printing minutes.

Thus closed another harmonious and profitable session of Haw Ridge Baptist Association, to meet with the Baptist church at Enterprise, Coffee county, Ala., on Thursday and Friday before the third Sunday in October 1900.

W E Hayes, Clerk. Philip King, Moderator.

## REMARKS BY CLERK.

The present session is doubtless the most profitable and pleasant of any other session of Haw Ridge Baptist Assotion. Indeed from the beginning we could all say, "The Lord is in this place. We see his smiling face, &c." Unanimity of sentiment and concert of action characterized the meeting, Brethren R Deal, A J Preston and Harry Martin contributed so much to the success of the Association. And here is brother O C Doster in his powerful appeals to the Baptists in behalf of the Newton Baptist Collegiate Institute. Yes, Brother Doster, we thankfully acknowledge this excellent school of high standing as our property. God

bless the Baptists, of Newton, for this prize of great value. As a token of our appreciation of this College in Haw Ridge Baptist Association who is a friend to the cause of christian education, will most assuredly pledge his or her unwavering support to this noble cause. Come brethren come right along let us fall into one solid phalanx and thereby help the Baptists of Southeast Alabama make this Institute equal to any school. The grand old Judson and Howard are not excepted. Mothers don't suffer yourselves troubled about your daughters, if you send them to Newton. Fathers, there are no vices in Newton to tempt your sons and furthermore the honor of the Baptists of Newton is engaged to protect our children while there, and they will with pleasure verify every promise. Three cheers for our brethren. Come brethren on to Newton. Come boys and girls, do you want an education that will prepare you for the duties of life. Yes we do go to Newton by all means. This is our school, it belongs to the Baptists. Let us take care of our own. Heavens richest blessings rest upon our Newton Baptist Collegiate Institute. CLERK.

## REPORTS

MISSIONS.—REPORT No. 1.

"Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. He that heareth my word and believeth on him that sent me hath everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation but is passed from death unto life. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they be sent? Life and immortality are brought to light in the gospel." LEWIS MOSELEY.

TEMPERANCE.—Report No. 2.

"Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that puttest thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder. My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. Abstain from all appearance of evil."

EDUCATION.—Report No. 3.

The present year has been an important one educationally to the Baptists of the state. The dark cloud of debt that has hovered so long over Howard College has been removed and now, for the first time, this grand old Institute is fully free to pursue its career of usefulness.

The Judson Institute at Marion, Ala., and the Southeast Alabama Baptist Collegiate Institute at Newton, Ala., have each had a prosperous session during the past year and the prespects for each are bright for another year. All of these schools, having no endowment, are dependent on the patronage for support.

If we wish them to prosper it is very necessary that we patronize these our own church schools.

We are glad to note an improvement in the common schools. It is only a small percentage of our boys and girls that hope to get a Collegiate Education and nine-tenths of them never pass beyond the common branches. The best school should be the primary school, and the best teacher is needed for this school. The first years of a childs school life are important ones.

Habits of thought, of thrift, and of industry are here to be inculcated and an immortal being to be fitted for its career of life. Early impressions are lasting ones and how important it is that they be of the right kind.

The new school law provides for the literary and moral qualifications of the teacher, and it is the duty of the teacher, and it is the duty of the church to look after the religious fitness of the man aspiring to teach our children.

No person should be allowed to teach school who is not a member of the church in good standing. The character is

to a great extent impressed on the plastic minds of childhood. How important that we employ a man whose walk is straight, whose habits are good, and whose life is godly to train our children.

Our school terms are not long enough. We need to supplement the public funds and continue our schools from six to eight months in the year, instead of three and four as heretofore.

We must demand good teachers and expect to pay them well for their services. Our children are too precious to entrust them to a man who has no knowledge of what an education consists, and teachers or rather keeps school that he may draw the public funds. If in conclusion we will state that the outlook for the future is encouraging. Much has been done in the past to dispell the veil of ignorance that has so long surrounded us, and much yet remains to be done. Our church is alive to its work. We recognize that our present social condition and enlightenment was brought about by the education of the masses, and that the very foundations of our government rest upon a virtuous and intelligent citizenship.

The best legacy we can bestow on our children is a good education. The best advertisement a community can have is a thriving school taught by a noble christian man, patronized by the surrounding people.

J W Roe,
W M Cooper,
Mack Hatcher,
Committee on Education.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—Report No. 4.

We submit the following as our report: There has not been very much done in this line during the past year. The Sunday Schools represented this year are but few but we are glad to say they are somewhat improved from the last report. We Baptists, believe in the Sabbath School work and brethren let us try our faith by our works. There is a great many children in our land without religious instructions. We do pray that each church in this Association may work for a Sabbath school for the next ensuing year, and be able when this body meets again to make a grand report on this work.

Brethren let us all work and pray together. May God

help us all to do our duty in this work. Respectfully submitted,

B G Byrd,
J L Lister,
F P Bledsoe,
Committee.

DOCUMENTS.—Report No. 5.

We your committee report that we find requests from Rockey Head, Mt. Liberty and Enterprise churches for this body to hold its next session with them and we recommend that the Association convene with the Enterprise church. We also recommend to meet Wednesday and Thursday before the third Sunday in October next. Respectfully,

A Pellum, J W Phillips, F M Johnson, Committee.

DECEASED MINISTERS AND DEACONS.—Report No. 6.

We your committee on deceased ministers and deacons submit the following as our report: We learn that God has seen fit to call one of our Deacons, hence, Brother S T Knight of Haw Ridge church which we regret very much but submit to thy will, O God.

J H Hudson, G B Langford.

ORPHAN'S HOME.—Report No. 7.

Dear Brethren:—We are not in possession of such data as to enable us to write such a report as we desire. We heartily endorse the work done by our faithful brethren and sisters who have the orphanage in charge. We recommend that the Clerk of this Association secure from Rev J W Stewart the latest facts about the Orphan's Home and publish them in our minutes. Respectfully submitted,

J H Hudson, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.—Report No. 8.

Received of Finance committee the following amounts, viz:

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| State Missions | $ 57.62 |
| Home Missions | 5.65 |
| Foreign Missions | 9.83 |
| Orphan's Home | 13.59 |
| Minutes | 18.00 |
| Sabbath Schools | .20 |
| Indigent Ministers | 11.90 |
| Ministerial Education | 5.00 |
| Grand Total | $121.79 |

J W Roe, Treasurer.

NOMINATIONS.—Report No. 9.

We your committee on nominations beg leave to make the following report: Missions:—Lewis Moseley, J W Phillips, and H Hudson.

Education:—P L Moseley, S W Roe, and J B Byrd, Jr.

Temperance:—Phillip King, G B Langford and Willie Hatcher.

Sunday School:—W M Cooper, B G Byrd and T M Martin.

Deceased Ministers and Deacons:—Daniel Martin, W J Snellgrove and W C Jones.

Orphan's Home:—P M Dowling, L B Heath and D Y Yon.

Executive Committee:—Philip King, Lewis Moseley, Henry Hudson, J H McLane and J W Roe.

Delegates to State Convention:—P L Moseley and Philip King.

Delegates to Southern Convention:—Lewis Mosely and W L Echols.

To preach the Introductory sermon:—P L Moseley.

Daniel Martin.J W Wilson, E E Byrd.

FINANCE REPORT.—No. 10.

| Churches. | Minutes | State Missions | Foreign Missions | | Home Missions | | Orphan Home | Indigent Ministers | | Sunday School | | Ministerial Education. |
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| Antioch, | | | | | 95 | 70 | | | | | | |
| Christ'n Home, | 50 | | | | | | 25 | | | | | |
| Cool Springs. | 1.00 | | 1 83 | | | | 1 83 | | | | 2.20 | |
| Ebenezer, | 2 05 | 2275 | | 5.00 | | | | | | | | |
| Enon, | 1,00 | 35 | | | | | 1 55 | | | 20 | | |
| Enterprise, | 2.00 | 7.10 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Haw Ridge, | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Line Creek, | 1 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Liberty, | 1 60 | 3.40 | | | | | 2 05 | | 5.00 | | 2.15 | |
| Pleas'nt Grove, | 3 00 | 1125 | | 4.00 | | | 1 00 | | | | | 5 00 |
| Rockey Head, | 1.50 | 5.00 | | | | | 5.00 | | | | | |
| Salem, | 1 65 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Col'd at Asse'n | 2 70 | 2.77 | 4.00 | | 4 00 | | | 6.90 | | | | |
| | 1800 | 5262 | 5 83 | 9.00 | 4 95 | 70 | 1168 | 6.90 | 5.00 | 20 | 4.35 | 5.00 |

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Report No. 11.

We, your Executive Committe, beg leave to make the following report: Dear Brethren:—We have had no means on hand this year to supply the destitute parts of our Association and we believe that much could be done if proper steps were taken in that direction and we hope that this will be looked after the next year. Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Martin,
W J Snellgrove,
Committee.

RESOLUTION.—Report No. 12.

Resoved, That it is the sense of this Association, and that we do recommend that no man be voted for for any official position unless he pledges his influence and votes against the sale of liquor.

Resolved 2d, We recommend that each church of this Association pass a resolution authorizing the exclusion of any member of any church who signs a whiskey petition.

Resolved 3d, That we are opposed to the sale of liquor by bar-rooms, dispensary, or any other way.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.—Report No. 13.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be extended to the members of this church and community for their kind hospitality shown us during our stay with them.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY AND STATISTICAL TABLE.

| Churches. | Pastors. | Post Office. | Clerks. | Post Office. | Baptism | Restoration | Rec'd by Letter | Dis'd by Letter | Excluded | Dead | Total Membership | Erasure | Time of Meeting |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Antioch, | J. A. Phillips, | Elamville, | E K. Smith, | Elamville, | 4 00 | 1 | 12 | 6 | 3 | | 1.16 00 | | 2 |
| Cool Springs, | N. J. Peters, | Geneva, | B. N. Gilmore, | Dot, | 6 00 | 5 | 1 00 | 2 | | | 61 00 | | 1 |
| Christian Home, | C. L. Matthews, | Ozark, | D. Jackson, | Tennille, | 00 | 2 00 | 7 | 2 00 | | | 32 00 | | 1 |
| Ebenezer, | W. W. Faulkner, | Charlton, | W. E Hayes, | Haw Ridge, | 20 00 | 5 | 8 00 | 00 | | | 1 55 00 | | 3 |
| Enon, | J. W. Reynolds, | Baltic, | J. B. Donavant, | Adair, | 11 | 1 10 | 8 00 | 00 | | | 87 00 | | 2 |
| Enterprise, | P. L. Moseley, | Enterprise, | R. E Byrd, | Enterprise, | 2 | 1 15 | 10 | 2 00 | | | 1.35 00 | | 3 |
| Haw Ridge, | | | W. E. Heath, | Haw Ridge, | | | | | | | | | |
| Line Creek, | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Liberty, | J. F. Register, | Geneva, | James Hudson, | Klegg, | 11 00 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | | 1.33 00 | | 1 |
| Pleasant Grove, | W. W. Faulkner, | Charlton, | G. B. Langford, | Ozark, | 11 00 | 5 | 3 | 1 00 | | | 2 24 00 | | 2 |
| Rockey Head, | W. W. Faulkner, | Charlton, | W. O. Roe, | Rockey Head, | 10 1 | 5 | 1 00 | 00 | | | 1.30 00 | | 1 |
| Salem, | J. W. Phillips, | Clio, | T. A. Foreman, | Skipperville, | | | | | | | 1 65 | | |
| | | | | | 75 | 5 51 | 54 | 12 | 6 | | 1238 00 | | |

## ORDAINED MINISTERS.

P. L. Moseley, Enterprise, Coffee county, Ala.
J. W. Phillips, Clio, Barbour county, Ala.
P. M. Dowling, Etna, Ala.
J. G. Hayes, address not given.

# THE

# SOUTH-EAST ALABAMA

# Baptist Collegiate Institute,

—LOCATED AT—

## Newton, Dale County, Alabama.

Built and adopted by the Newton Baptist Church, and offered to the Baptist denomination of South-East Alabama upon adoption and patronage. This school has been inaugurated for the purpose of Christian education.

The South-East Alabama Baptist Collegiate Institute has been endorsed and adopted by the Newton, Judson, Centennial, Geneva, Haw Ridge and Pea River Associations. This school is intended as an auxiliary to the Howard College, and the Judson Institute—every department under the immediate management and supervision of competent teachers.

**TUITION PER MONTH:**

Primary, $1.00; Intermediate, $1.25; High School, $1.50; Collegiate, $2.00; Incidental fee for entire year, 25¢; Music on piano, Guitar or Violin, $2.00; Vocal Culture, special, $2.00; Art, $2.00; Elocution, $2.00. Use of piano free. Board in private families from $1.25 to $1.50 per week. Washing and ironing from 15¢ to 25¢ per week.

T. D. Morton, President of Board.

S. J. Chapman, Secretary of Board.

O. C. Doster, Representative Agent.